

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

A. Claim objections:

(1) Claims 18 and 19 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form.

This objection has been addressed by canceling claims 18 and 19.

(2) Claim 1 is objected to.

Claim 1 is canceled. Claim 11 is currently amended to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims (claims 1, 2 and 3).

In amended claim 11, "mainly" is deleted; "the bottom opening" is amended to be consistent with the previous recitation of "the bottom portion opening"; "Wherein" is changed to "wherein".

(3) Claim 3 is objected to.

In amended claim 11, "the decoration" is used; "a mechanism described in claim 2" is replaced with "the mechanism".

(4) Claim 3 is objected to.

In amended claim 11, "supports the first magnet" is used (please see (i) of amended claim 11); "supports the second magnet" is used (please see (j)); "on which the decoration or mechanism is installed" is used (please see the end of (1)). These three corrections were suggested by the Examiner.

(5) Items 5-7 and 9-10 on pages 3 and 4 of the Office Action have

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been addressed because claims 4, 7, 10, 13, and 15-18 have been canceled.

(6) Item 8 on page 3 of the Office Action: claims 11 is objected to.

This has been addressed because in the currently amended claim 11, "the" is deleted.

B. Claim rejections - 35 USC 112

In items 11-13 of the Office Action, claims 18-19 are rejected. This rejection has been overcome because both claims 18-19 are canceled.

C. Claim rejections - 35 USC 102

In items 14-21 (pages 4 and 5 of the Office Action), claims 1-3, and 5-8 are rejected. This rejection has been overcome because these seven claims are canceled.

D. Claim rejections - 35 USC 103

In items 22-24 (pages 5 and 6 of the Office Action), claims 1-4, 9 and 10 are rejected. This rejection has been overcome because these six claims are canceled.

E. Allowable subject matter

In items 25 of the Office Action, claims 11-17 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 12-17 have been canceled. Claim 11 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, and should be allowable.

F. Explanations of the new claims 20-27

(1) New claim 20 relates to Figs. 8-16, and 19. Each of these

figures disclosed, in addition to the basic structure, important improvements, i.e. a lid provided above the stopper, and the mechanism comprises at least a first gear operatively connected to the power source and located above the lid, a second gear engageable with the first gear and fastened with a wheel having an elongate drive stub.

(2) New claim 21 relates to Figs. 17 and 18, each of these two figures disclosed the important improvements described in the new claim 21.

(3) New claim 22 relates to the structure of Fig. 4.

(4) New claim 23 discloses a further improvement relating to the stopper member 106 shown in Figs. 1-3.

(5) New claim 24 relates to the structure of Fig. 5.

(6) New claim 25 relates to the structure of Figs 1 and 2.

(7) New claims 26 and 27 relate to the structure of Figs. 6 and 7, in which if the first gear 294 rotates clockwise, the second gear 296A, third gear 296B, and the rotary cover 295 rotate counterclockwise, and the fourth gear 297 rotates clockwise.

(8) The most relevant prior art cited by the Examiner is Huang's 6,508,022 in which complex bearings and associated structure are needed (please see column 3, lines 3-12). However, the present application does not need this kind of structure.

(9) It is respectfully submitted that the new claims do not involve new matter.

Having thus overcome each of the rejections made in the

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Office Action, withdrawal of the objections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

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